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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or a joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the invention entitled:

LOAD SHARING COMPOSITE SHAFT, described and claimed

  X   in the attached specification;  
       in the specification filed \_\_\_\_\_,  
as U.S. Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_,  
and as amended \_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims as filed and as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application as defined in 37 CFR §1.56.

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